

This barometer registers daily the chief medical examiner's records of deaths by moonshine, guns and autos in all boroughs of New York City since Jan. 1, a total of 348 days.

## THOUSANDS SAIL FOR CHRISTMAS IN HOMELANDS

With American residents returning to spend Christmas in their European homelands crowding the

decks of nine transatlantic liners, coupled with the beginning of the exodus of wealthy citizens to warmer and wetter climes, made yesterday a record day for departures from New York.

Capt. Paul C. Grening

W. K. Vanderbilt and his party left on the Furness Bermuda liner Fort Victoria for Bermuda. He said he was tired and had a bad cold and that he hoped to get a good rest before he returned.

One at least among these thousands did not want to leave America. He was Eli Kassover, a Polish immigrant and a deportee on the George Washington of the United States lines.

### Waits at Rail.

He stood hopefully at the rail in the steerage until the last man left the ship and the pier crew made ready to lift the gangplank.

Then he turned away.

As he did an excited little man ran down the pier, screaming that he was an attorney and waving a bit of paper that was a writ of habeas corpus signed by Judge Knox of the federal court and ordering a stay of Kassover's deportation.

He dashed up the gangplank and served the writ on Capt. T. Van Beek as the boat moved into the river. A tug took him and his client off.

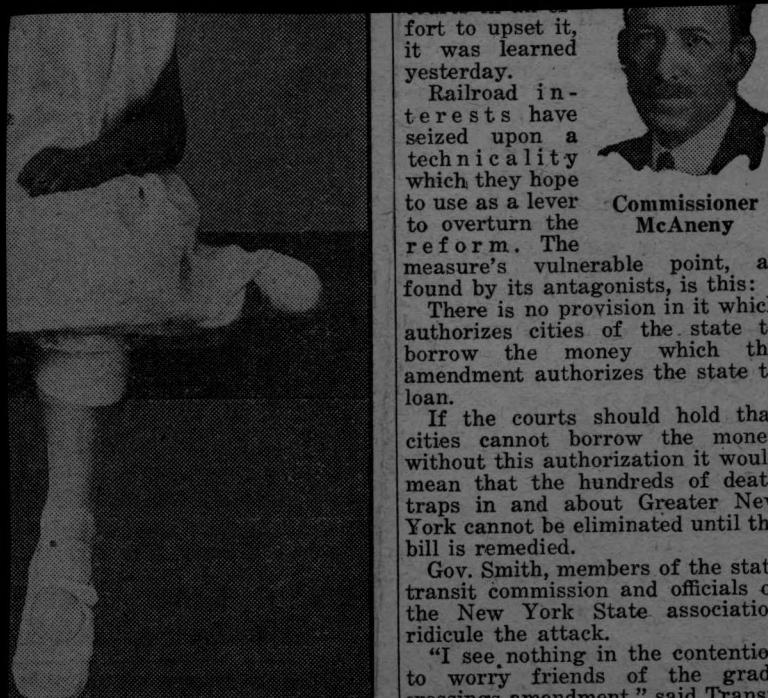
Ashore he said he was Benjamin Friedlander and that he had been retained that morning by Kassover's wife, Mary, who has been in this country four years. The government claims that Kassover is suffering from trachoma. The write will be argued Friday.

### Grening a Passenger.

Capt. Paul C. Grening, whose rescue of the crew of the freighter Ignazio Florio two months ago thrilled the nation, sailed as a passenger with his wife to take up his duties as assistant in the London offices of the American Fleet corporation. It is his first trip as a passenger in fifty round trips across the Atlantic and his first with his wife since he met her a year ago when she returned on the President Harding.

Another passenger on the George Washington was Dr. Ernest Romer Rosenfeld, leading Berlin orchestra leader returning after a three months' stay in this country. He was defeated in his plans to lead an American orchestra because he had signed a contract to work for the Shuberts before he left Europe. The labor unions were upheld in their contention that this violated the law against importation of contract labor.

Miss Eva Murphy, returning on the White Star liner Celtic, said she preferred Ireland with its civil wars to New York and its noise and traffic-crowded streets. She said Ireland was much safer.



pain, Rose Carbone (above) thus shot her, mistaking her for burglar, patient in hospital.

## IDENTIFIES RASH VICTIM

District Attorney Ryan. They said a private inspector, whom they employed to supervise the work, had reported an hour before the collapse that everything was in good shape.

### Floor Overloaded.

Chief Building Inspector Frederick C. Kuehnle, however, says the rash was caused by overloading of the floor.

"Most of the east wall of the building had been demolished," Kuehnle said. "The floor was shored up with temporary studding. The workmen were taking down the rear wall and piling the bricks on the floor. Naturally, when the strain became too great, the studding buckled and the floor collapsed."

Kuehnle will make his official report Monday.

The district attorney's office expects to quiz Kuehnle and the police who investigated the collapse. He will also question Robert Ruwane and Joseph Levitt, two of the injured workmen.

### Priest, Officers Cited.

Of the rescuers who worked frantically to release the imprisoned workmen, the names of a priest, two doctors and seven policemen were selected by investigators yesterday for commendation.

Father Joseph McKenna of St. Malachy's Roman Catholic church administered last rites of the church to the injured while firemen supported him on their shoulders. Drs. Rebecca Carter and Dorothy Bell of Bellevue did heroic work rendering first aid, and seven policemen were certified to their superiors for departmental commendation.

They were Sergt. John F. Ward and Policemen Otto Behrens, Alfred Litchford, John Hartnett, Lawrence Spitzer, Joseph Theuer and William Kaval, all of West 47th st. station.

To do such a thing the day before Christmas. Ashta certainly had her nerve with her, even if she did it for the King. You'll enjoy "The Best House" in next Sunday's SUN-DAY NEWS.

pleaded.

Unseeing eyes stared past her. Little feet pattered down the stairs.

### Father Held.

"No. I'm going back to my bed."

As she fumbled with the door knob, Carbone fired blindly. He peered into the hallway where his daughter lay, the lace edging on her nightgown stained. He held her in agony while his wife ran screaming into the street.

"I'll be all right, papa," Rosie said.

Carbone, a barber, was held in \$500 bail on a technical charge of atrocious assault by Magistrate Leo Sullivan in First District Criminal court yesterday to await Grand Jury action.

## NOT SUPERSTITIOUS, 13 CT. SEAL MAKES MAIL EXPEDITIOUS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—The 13-cent postage stamp, abandoned four years ago, is to be reissued for convenience of parcel post shippers, Postmaster General New announced today.

The issue will bear a portrait of President Benjamin Harrison, and is a revival of the Harrison stamp of the 1902 series.

Postmaster General New The first issue will be placed on sale Jan. 11 at Indianapolis, Ind., home city of Harrison.

What funny characters there are at these art affairs. Watch for Hill's comics of "The Artists' Ball," in next Sunday's SUNDAY NEWS.



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fort to upset it, it was learned yesterday.

Railroad interests have seized upon a technicality which they hope to use as a lever to overturn the reform. The measure's vulnerable point, as found by its antagonists, is this:

There is no provision in it which authorizes cities of the state to borrow the money which the amendment authorizes the state to loan.

If the courts should hold that cities cannot borrow the money without this authorization it would mean that the hundreds of death traps in and about Greater New York cannot be eliminated until the bill is remedied.

Gov. Smith, members of the state transit commission and officials of the New York State association ridicule the attack.

"I see nothing in the contention to worry friends of the grade crossings amendment," said Transit Commissioner George McAneny. "Where the state is given the right to loan money by implication the municipalities are given the right to borrow it."

A similar opinion is held by Robert H. Moses, secretary of the New York State association and one of the framers of the amendment.

"The courts, in my opinion, will sustain the amendment," said Moses. "The people voted it for it and the intent of the bill is clear."

**MRS HALL'S BIG HOME RENOVATED; IS IT FOR MATE?**

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several books and of text books dealing with the subject of English.

Although born in New Brunswick, prominent residents there say that he did not spend much time in his home town until a year ago.

Where is Mrs. Hall? When will she return? Will she bring a husband with her? Find the answer to these engrossing queries in the Pink and other editions of tomorrow's DAILY NEWS.

**CRIPPLED SCHOONER, IN COLLISION AT SEA, IS DUE HERE TODAY**

The three-masted schooner Edward G. Farrier, which wigwagged a distress signal to the coast guard cutter Manhattan early yesterday after a collision the night before with the Sun Oil company's tanker, Miller County, had torn away her bowsprit and headgear, is due in New York early today.

She carries a crew of eight and was seven miles southeast of Atlantic Highlands bound from Jacksonville, Fla., to New York with a cargo of lumber when she was struck. The Miller County stood by until she was certain the crew were safe and then proceeded on her way apparently undamaged.

A tug, sent down by Pendleton & Co. of 15 Moore st. is towing the schooner to port.

**CUBA MAIL SERVICE**

New parcel post service between the United States and Cuba becomes effective Jan. 1, Postmaster J. J. Kiely announced yesterday. Packages weighing from 8 ounces to 11 pounds may be sent at the rate of 14 cents a pound.

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